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A Report to the Citizens of the City of Fairfax



DATELINE

MISS REPRESENTATION
A DOCUMENTARY FILM ABOUT WOMEN & THE MEDIA

PRESENTED BY:
City of Fairfax
Commission for Women

FREE SCREENING
June 1, 2014
2:00pm

City Hall Annex
10455 Armstrong St.
Fairfax, VA 22030

Contact: 703-385-7894
TTY: 711
Email: cfw@fairfaxva.gov

Real Estate Taxes Due June 23

Real estate tax bills are due June 23. Payments postmarked later are subject to a penalty and interest charge. Those who directly pay real estate taxes who have not received a bill should call 703-385-7904.

Those who receive a bill when their mortgage company escrows for the payment should forward the bill immediately to the mortgage company.

Independence Day Activities Set for July 4; City Closures in Effect

Celebrate Independence Day with the city July 4 — see page 8.

On July 4, city government offices, General District Court and Historic Blenheim will be closed.

CUE Bus service will be suspended. Refuse and recycling will not be collected; Thursday and Friday routes will be collected July 3.

If you're new to the city, welcome!
Call 703-385-7800
for new resident information.

City Launches New Electronic Alert System in Mid-June 'Fairfax City Alert' Replaces eMAS Program

Stay apprised of activities, services and emergencies in the City of Fairfax by enrolling in Fairfax City Alert, the city's new electronic alert system scheduled to go live in mid-June.

This system replaces eMAS, which has kept citizens informed since 2002, and is part of a region-wide change in electronic message service.

Fairfax City Alerts provides multiple options for contact, including an effective telephone service that will be used only in cases of emergency. The new service provider, Everbridge, also offers mobile applications for Android and iOS systems and additional features for users.

To sign up for Fairfax City Alerts, please visit www.fairfaxva.gov/Fairfax-CityAlert when the system goes live in mid-June. Look for announcements on the city website, Cityscreen-12 and other city media.

Subscribers may choose from dozens of categories, covering city services and emergencies. Personal subscriber information is secure and will not be shared.

eMAS subscribers must enroll in this new service by creating a new profile in Fairfax City Alert. *Please note: when Fairfax City Alert goes live in mid-June, eMAS will be retired and eMAS profiles will be inaccessible.* For information, call 703-385-7895.

2014 Swearing In Ceremony and City Council Reception

on Tuesday, June 24, 2014, at 7 o'clock in the evening

at the Veterans Amphitheater at City Hall,

10455 Armstrong Street, Fairfax, Virginia

Honoring Departing Members of the City Council

Daniel F. Drummond

Steven C. Stombres

The City of Fairfax Mayor-Elect and Council-Elect

R. Scott Silverthorne

Michael J. DeMarco

Jeffrey C. Greenfield

Nancy Fry Loftus

David L. Meyer

Janice B. Miller

Eleanor D. Schmidt

The City of Fairfax School Board-Elect

Jon A. Buttram

Carolyn S. Pitches

Robert M. Reinsel

Tobin M. Sorensen

Mitch A. Sutterfield

RSVP: CityClerk@fairfaxva.gov, 703-385-7850

Rain location: Stacy C. Sherwood Community Center, 3740 Old Lee Highway



NEWS & NOTES

Summer Concerts in the City Begin June 6

Enjoy free concerts during *Summer Nights in the City: Movie and Music*. For information, call 703-352-ARTS.

Concerts will begin at 7 p.m. Fridays in June, July and August (except July 4) at the Old Town Plaza, 3955 Chain Bridge Road.

Concerts also will be held at 8 p.m. Thursdays July 10-31 in the Veterans Amphitheater at City Hall. The Children's Concert is scheduled for 7 pm July 17.

FHS Graduation, All-Night Party June 17

Fairfax High School (FHS) will hold its commencement ceremony for the Class of 2014 at noon June 17 in the FHS Field House. For information, call 703-219-2200.

Book Signing June 22 Sponsored by Commission for Women

Learn about the life of the influential suffragist Alice Paul from J.D. Zahniser, author of *Alice Paul, Claiming Power* at a lecture and book signing to be held at 2 p.m. June 22 in the City Hall Annex. Copies of the book will be available for \$35. Proceeds will benefit the construction of the Turning Point Suffragist Memorial, which will be constructed at Occoquan Regional Park.

The event is sponsored by the Commission for Women. For information, call 703-385-7894.

Graduation, Other Events on Mason Campus Might Impact Traffic

George Mason University has a number of activities on campus that attract many participants — including graduation ceremonies in June for schools through the region. These events might impact traffic around campus — and in the city.

For information or a schedule of upcoming events, visit today.gmu.edu or call 703-993-1000.

Mosquito Traps Set Up Around Fairfax; Do Not Disturb

The Fairfax County Health Depart-

ment has begun trapping mosquitoes as part of routine surveillance for West Nile Virus. These traps will be set up at dozens of locations around Fairfax — mostly on public property, including parks and schools. Please do not touch or tamper with them.

Traps are clearly marked with the words *mosquito trap* and have health department contact information on them.

Be sure to mosquito-proof your own property early this summer. Tip and toss water from mosquito-friendly containers (such as where ice collected this winter).

For information, visit fairfaxcounty.gov/fightthebite or call 703-246-8931.

Cityscreen-12 Program on Mosby's Raid Wins Communicator Award

On March 9, 2013, the Cityscreen-12 recorded a celebrated sesquicentennial event: the reenactment of the capture of Union General Stoughton during Colonel John S. Mosby's midnight raid. Cityscreen-12's program was awarded the 2014 Communicator Award of Distinction in Film/Video.

Emergency Manager Wins Technology Innovation Award

Emergency Coordinator Ken Rudnicki recently received the Innovation Award for Technology from the Virginia Emergency Management Association for his development of NOVA Damage Reporting Tool (DRT).

The free application (for iOS and Android) allows Northern Virginia residents to use their smartphone, computer or tablet to report damage or flooding. For information, call 703-385-4856.

Museum Seeks Independence Day Parade Photos

Fairfax Museum and Visitor Center is seeking photographs of past City of Fairfax Independence Day parades.

These images will be incorporated into a video presentation to be shown at the Fairfax Museum and Visitor Center in July 2014 and then added to the city's Historic Collections.

Digital images may be e-mailed to Susan Inskeep Gray at susan.gray@fairfaxva.gov. Prints or slides may be mailed to or

dropped off at Fairfax Museum and Visitor Center, 10209 Main Street, Fairfax, VA 22030. Images will be scanned and returned to the owner. For information, call 703-385-8415.

Drivers: Pay Close Attention When School Buses Stop on the Road

The City of Fairfax Police Department reminds drivers to pay close attention to school buses while on the road.

Pay special attention to the bus stops in the areas of Chain Bridge Road and Providence Way, Main Street near Tedrich Boulevard, and the Old Lee Highway corridor. Portions of those particular areas have two-way traffic on an undivided highway.

All drivers traveling in all directions must stop for stopped school buses on undivided highways that are discharging passengers.

City police will step up enforcement of this law. Violations constitute reckless driving, which is a costly, dangerous violation.

Drivers on divided highways with medians and other physical barriers are not required to stop if the bus is on the other side of the roadway. However, drivers are advised to remain alert for young pedestrians discharging from any bus from any direction.

For information, call 703-273-2889.

Photo ID Required for Voting in Virginia: 'Are You ID Ready?'

Voters in the Commonwealth of Virginia must present one of the following forms of photo identification when voting, effective July 1:

- valid Virginia driver's license
- DMV-issued photo ID card
- valid U.S. passport
- valid employee photo ID card
- other federal, Virginia or Virginia sub-division government-issued valid photo ID card
- valid college or university student photo ID card for an institution of higher education in Virginia

Voters who do not have an acceptable form of photo ID may obtain a free ID through their local voter registration office — city residents may call the city General Registrar at 703-385-7890.

City Establishes Domestic Beekeeping Permit, Rules

Apiarists have new opportunities in the City of Fairfax with recent changes to City Code — and the establishment of a domestic beekeeping permit.

Recent City Code changes permit beehives based on the size of a property:

- from 5,000 square feet to a quarter-acre: up to two beehives
- quarter-acre or larger: up to four beehives

Residents must obtain a permit prior to acquiring honey bees. Applicant must provide a plat showing the proposed

Domestic Beekeeping Permit



location of the hives, signed affidavit of understanding of the code and best management practices for beekeeping and, if the applicant is not the property owner, written permission from the property owner. There also a one-time \$20 permit application fee.

Previously, beekeeping was relegated to the agricultural section of the City Code. However, requests from city residents prompted the city to create a separate “Domestic Beekeeping” chapter of the City Code. For information, call 703-385-7805.

Farmers Markets in the City

Saturdays, 8 am to 1 pm

10500 Page Avenue

Sundays, 10 am to 2 pm

(adjacent to Historic Courthouse)

Sponsored by Downtown Fairfax Coalition • www.fairfaxsaturnmarket.com

City Council Adopts Budget for Fiscal Year 2014-15

The City of Fairfax City Council has approved the city's \$127.9 million general fund operating budget for fiscal year 2014-15, an increase of \$2.4 million, or 1.9 percent, from the previous year.

The total of all appropriated funds is \$160.9 million, an 8.2 percent decrease from the previous fiscal year's budget due to the city's transition away from providing water service.

City Council set the real estate tax rate at \$1.04 per \$100 of assessed value, a decrease of 2¢ from the previous year's adopted rate. In this rate, the budget maintains 2¢ on the real estate tax rate dedicated to the city's stormwater fund to address aging stormwater infrastructure and to meet future regulatory requirements. Homeowners, on average, could see an increase of about \$116 to their real estate tax bills due to the new tax rate and an average 4.5 percent value increase. Commercial property owners, on average, will see a decrease in their real estate tax bills because the average property value remained flat.

In the adopted budget, the City Council maintained the commercial and industrial real estate tax rate at 5.5¢ per \$100 of assessed value, which is used exclusively toward new transportation

projects in the city. The Old Town Service District tax also remains unchanged at 6¢ per \$100 of assessed value.

Capital fund expenditures of \$5.5 million represent 4.3 percent of general fund expenditures.

The adopted budget reflects an increase of \$250,000 in the school tuition contract with Fairfax County Public Schools. The city is contractually obligated to pay for instructional costs based on a per-student formula.

City Council approved the proposed employee merit raises of 3.5 percent and public safety longevity steps of 3.5 percent, and added a 0.5 percent cost of living adjustment (COLA).

The City Council also approved a wastewater rate increase of 10 percent to meet the significant number of capital projects and debt service costs relating to the city's share of Fairfax County wastewater plant upgrades, where the city's wastewater is treated.

The adopted budget will be posted on the city's website by July 1, when the fiscal year begins, and a limited number of printed copies will be available to the public at that time. The proposed budget for fiscal year 2014-15 also is available.

For information, call 703-385-3973.



Mulch Available to City Residents As Supplies Last

City residents have access to free mulch through Fairfax County at the I-66 Recycling and Disposal Center, 4618 West Ox Road. Availability varies; call 703-324-5995 for information.

The Operations Division delivers mulch upon request to civic associations. *(This service is not available to individuals or businesses.)* A minimum of 30 cubic yards of mulch is delivered to a single location in the community. Availability varies; call 703-385-7995.

Please Clean Receptacles Regularly

City residents are asked to clean the interior of their trash cans and recycling bins on a regular basis. This makes the receptacle less enticing for animals and provides relief for city crews who provide collection service.

Shred Documents, Recycle Electronics

Free document shredding is available from 8 a.m. to noon June 21 at Oakton High School, 2900 Sutton Road, Vienna.

City residents may recycle their electronics equipment for free from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. June 22 at the I-95 Complex, 9850 Furnace Road, Lorton.

For information, call 703-324-5230.

Recycling, Disposal Information Available

- *How to Dispose of Items in the City*, regarding trash, recycling and more, and
- *Curbside Recycling is Easier Than Ever*, which is all about the city's curbside recycling service.

Visit the city's website (click on “Refuse & Recycling” on the home page) or call 703-293-7141.

INFORMATION: 703-385-7837

Councilmember Mobley Pursued Agriculture Excellence

Leonard A. Mobley, former City Councilmember and ardent agricultural economist, passed away April 25. The city mourns his passing, and lowered its flags to half-staff in his honor.

Mr. Mobley, a resident of the city for more than three decades, served on the City Council for six years: 1968-72 and 1976-78. He worked for 18 years in the National Cotton Council in Washington, DC, and then worked for the Department of Commerce until retiring in 1986.

He spent 15 years on the Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority, where he was instrumental in facilitating the purchase of more than 6,000 acres of land for parks.

He pursued his passion for gardening while in Fairfax and when he retired to Louisa County in 1986, he quickly became active again as a Master Gardener with many horticultural projects.

City Council Set to Approve Strategic Master Plan June 24

The final draft of the Parks and Recreation Department Strategic Master Plan will be discussed at the June 3 City Council work session and is scheduled for approval at the June 24 City Council meeting. The plan is available for review in City Hall, Room 123, and at www.ourparksourfuture.com.

A strategic master plan is a clear, concise and measurable set of goals, policies and objectives to provide direction of future development, redevelopment, and enhancement of the city parks system. For information, call 703-385-7858.

Send Payments to Correct Water Provider

City residents and businesses now receive water service from Fairfax Water — and payments should be sent to the proper location. Please check bills carefully for the payment information and follow those directions. For information regarding Fairfax Water bills, please call 703-698-5800.

Customers with questions regarding their final City of Fairfax water bill or subsequent delinquent notice should contact the Treasurer's Office in City Hall: 703-385-7900.

Partial Tax Exemption Offered for Renovated Homes Program to Continue Through December 31

Residents who plan to substantially upgrade their older residences may be eligible for a partial real estate tax exemption.

The exemption amount is based on the increased value of the residence that has been substantially rehabilitated, renovated or replaced. Exemptions are given for a 10-year period, with a 100 percent exemption of the increased value for the first five years then a decreasing percentage for years six through 10.

The residential structure — single-family house or duplex — must be at least 15 years old. The improvements must increase the assessed value by at

least 15 percent. The homeowner must obtain appropriate building permits and inspections during the home improvement process.

Applicant must apply for the exemption *before any construction begins* (preferably as soon as any required building permits are granted).

The city assessor will establish the base value of the home before construction begins, and approve the exemption upon final inspection after construction is finished.

This program will be discontinued January 1, 2015. For information, call 703-385-7840.

Volunteers Sought for City and Regional Advisory Boards

- **Board of Building Code Appeals** (one vacancy for position with fire protection experience) — Acts on applications for appeals from building official decisions based on the provisions of the Virginia Uniform Statewide Building Code which relate to the technical aspects of building maintenance regulations and to all of the other provisions of such code. Meets as needed.
- **Board of Equalization of Real Estate Assessments** (one vacancy for alternate position) — Hears appeals of assessed value of real estate. Court appointed.
- **Commission for Women** (one vacancy for city resident) — Identifies and advocates for the needs of women in the city. Promotes programs to increase awareness and provide services to the community. Open to men and women. Meets the third Tuesday of the month.
- **Community Appearance Committee** (one vacancy for city resident) — Coordinates the city's Adopt-a-Spot program and clean-up month/day programs, in addition to commercial, residential and holiday decoration award programs. Meets the fourth Thursday of the month.
- **Fairfax Alcohol Safety Action Program Policy Board** (one vacancy for city resident) — Sets program policies and serves as directorate for the local programs within the local Alcohol Safety Action Program. Meets quarterly.
- **Fairfax Area Disability Services Board** (one vacancy for city representative) — Advises local government about the service needs of persons with physical and sensory disabilities and implements the Americans with Disabilities Act. Meets on the second Monday of the month.
- **Fairfax County Public Library Board of Trustees** (one vacancy for city resident) — Establishes and enacts policies, and approves annual budget for library services to be submitted to appropriate governing body, and selects and appoints Director of Public Libraries. Meets on the second Wednesday of the month.
- **Fairfax County Commission on Organ Tissue Donation and Transplantation** (one vacancy for city representative) — Coordinates resources in the community; promotes awareness of organ and tissue donation and transplantation; educates the community about the organ and tissue donation process; and increases the number of Fairfax County organ and tissue donors. Meets on the fourth Monday of the month.
- **Health Systems Agency for Northern Virginia** (one vacancy for city representative) — Plans for the health-care needs of the area and works with other regional groups on health-care issues.
- **Parks and Recreation Advisory Board** (two vacancies for city resident) — Serves in an advisory role to the City Council and makes recommendations on park and recreation facilities and programs. Meets on the second Thursday of the month.
- **Planning Commission** (one vacancy for city representative) — Serves in an advisory capacity to the city council and plans for the future development of the city. Prepares and reviews the *Comprehensive Plan*; reviews subdivision and site plan submission; and makes recommendations to City Council on Capital Improvement Program, rezonings and text amendments. Meets on the second and fourth Mondays of the month.

Applications will be considered at an upcoming City Council meeting following submission.

Unless otherwise noted, city residency is required. Submit letters of interest and résumé (if available) to City Clerk Melanie Burrell. Vacancies are subject to change. Prospective applicants who represent diverse or minority groups are especially encouraged to apply. Information: 703-385-7935.



JUNE

CITYSCREEN-12 SCHEDULE

Swearing-In Ceremony

The Swearing-In Ceremony for the offices of Mayor, City Council and School Board will be shown LIVE at 7 pm June 24.

The program also will be replayed at 4 pm June 25 through July 3 and at 10 am and 7 pm June 30 through July 3.

School Board Meeting

Monday, June 2, 7:30 pm, LIVE
replays: Tuesday, June 3, 10 am
Thursday, June 5, 10 am, 7 pm
Monday, June 16, 7 pm
Tuesday, June 17, 10 am, 7 pm
Thursday, June 19, 10 am, 7 pm
Archived online June 3

Planning Commission Meetings

Monday, June 9, 7 pm, LIVE
replays: Tuesday, June 10, 10 am
Thursday, June 12, 10 am, 7 pm
Archived online June 10



Monday, June 23, 7 pm, LIVE
replays: Tuesday, June 24, 10 am
Thursday, June 26, 10 am, 7 pm
Archived online June 24

City Council Meeting, Work Session

Tuesday, June 3, 6:30 pm, LIVE
replays: Wednesday, June 4, 10 am, 7 pm;
Friday, June 6, 10 am, 7 pm;
Saturday, June 7, 10 am, 7 pm;
Sunday, June 8, 10 am, 7 pm
Archived online June 4

Tuesday, June 10, 7 pm, LIVE
replays: Wednesday, June 11, 10 am, 7 pm;
Friday, June 13, 10 am, 7 pm;
Saturday, June 14, 10 am, 7 pm;
Sunday, June 15, 10 am, 7 pm
Archived online June 11
OnDEMAND replay begins June 15

Tuesday, June 24, 6 pm, LIVE
replays: Wednesday, June 25, 10 am, 7 pm;

Friday, June 27, 10 am, 7 pm;
Saturday, June 28, 10 am, 7 pm;
Sunday, June 29, 10 am, 7 pm
Archived online June 25
OnDEMAND replay begins June 29

The Fairfax Scene

Through June, enjoy highlights from the International Children's Festival. *The Fairfax Scene* plays at daily at 2 pm and 6 pm.

The Fairfax Scene is archived online under "special programming" and available on the city's YouTube channel.

Watch Cityscreen-12, Special Programs Online

View Cityscreen-12 at your convenience. On the city's website, the 24-hour bulletin board plays continuously and televised meetings and special programs are available live and archived for later viewing.

Visit the city's YouTube channel to watch Cityscreen-12 programs online.

Programming is subject to change — see Cityscreen-12 to confirm the programming schedule. Information: 703-385-7803.

**Proposed Agendas for School Board, City Council, Planning Commission****School Board (for information, call 703-385-7911)***June 2 regular meeting*

- Student recognition.
- Student representative introduction.
- Approval: of adjusted budget for fiscal year 2014-15; of School Board staff employment contracts; of *Cooperative Agreement for Use of School Facilities*.

City Council (for information, call 703-385-7935)*June 3 work session*

- Discussions: on the Parks and Recreation Strategic Master Action Plan; on signage in the Old Town Transition Overlay District.

June 10 regular meeting and work session

- Introduction of an ordinance amending City Code pertaining to state motor vehicle laws.
- Consideration of a resolution setting the allocation percentage for City of Fairfax personal property tax relief for the 2014 tax year.
- Public hearings: on an appropriation resolution in the amount of \$1,018,640 for fiscal year 2013-14 nondiscretionary expenditures; on an ordinance amending City Code pertaining to the supplemental retirement plan for general employees; on an ordinance amending City Code pertaining to the supplemental retirement plan for public safety employees; on an appropriation resolution in the amount of \$292,722 for fiscal year 2013-14 federal and state grant expenditures; on appropriation resolutions for the general, capital, wastewater, transit, stormwater, cable, Old Town, and transportation tax funds for the fiscal year beginning

July 1, 2014; on a supplemental appropriation resolution in the amount of \$1,284,247 for the transfer of surplus water fund monies to the transportation tax fund to fully fund the commercial and industrial tax at its equivalent maximum rate.

- Public hearings: on an ordinance authorizing "quick-take" condemnation of: a public street dedication (right of way), permanent utility easement, permanent joint use utility easement, and temporary construction easement at 10996-11002 Fairfax Boulevard; a permanent utility easement and temporary construction easement at 10955 Fairfax Boulevard; of permanent signal control easements and a temporary construction easement at 10911-10927 Main Street. (In conjunction with the Kamp Washington road improvement project.)

June 24 regular meeting and work session

- Public hearing on a zoning text amendment amending City Code pertaining to storm drainage facilities.
- Consideration of a resolution approving the Parks and Recreation Strategic Master Action Plan.

Planning Commission (for information, call 703-385-7930)*June 9 regular meeting*

- Consideration of an application to approve the subdivision of 3675 Old Lee Highway
- Public hearing to consider amendments to the regulations for storm drainage and stormwater

June 23 regular meeting

- No agenda items have been set.

Meeting information is subject to change; call to confirm.





CITY COUNCIL REPORTER

April 22, 2014

Consent agenda

- Approved, unanimously, Introduction of an Ordinance authorizing a License Agreement (renewal) with Breckinridge Lane Homeowners Association, Inc., to use and maintain a portion of the public right-of-way; Introduction of an ordinance amending City Code pertaining to home child care facility standards; Consideration for approval of a task order in the amount of \$69,694.91 to URS for Stormwater Compliance and General Civil Design Consultant Services for the Daniels Run Stream Restoration Project. *(Councilmember Stombres was absent.)*

Public hearings

- Approved, unanimously, a resolution to approve the request of ALDI Inc. for a special exception pursuant to City Code to allow tenant signage on a non-building frontage wall in the C-2 Retail Commercial District and Highway Corridor Overlay District at 11001 Lee Highway and a special permit to allow a grocery store greater than 5,000 sq. ft. in the C-2 Retail Commercial District and Highway Corridor Overlay District at 11001 Lee Highway. *(Councilmember Stombres was absent.)*
- Approved, unanimously, an ordinance amending City Code pertaining to real property tax exemptions, deferrals and freezes for certain elderly or disabled taxpayers. *(Councilmember Stombres was absent.)*
- Approved, unanimously, an ordinance amending City Code pertaining to the calculation of rental relief for elderly or disabled persons. *(Councilmember Stombres was absent.)*
- Approved, unanimously, an ordinance authorizing the City Manager to execute an agreement with Layton Hall Limited Partnership, to install and maintain two storm sewer outfalls within a portion of the city's right-of-way for a period of five years. *(Councilmember Stombres was absent.)*
- Approved, unanimously, an ordinance to affect the financing required for the development and improvement of city-owned downtown properties, to include the city's Old Town Square Park, the East Street parking lot and the North Street pedestrian barrier, and the renovation and expansion of the city's Police Department Firearms Training Center located on Pickett Road. *(Councilmember Stombres was absent and Councilmember Schmidt was absent from the vote.)*
- Approved, unanimously, an appropriation resolution in the amount not to exceed

\$8.1 million for the development and improvement of city-owned downtown properties, to include the city's Old Town Square park, the East Street parking lot and the North Street pedestrian barrier, and the renovation and expansion of the city's Police Department Firearms Training Center located on Pickett Road. *(Councilmember Stombres was absent.)*

Items not requiring a public hearing

- Approved, unanimously, a resolution to approve the plan of lease financing authorizing the terms and conditions of the lease agreement, and execution of required documents. Lease financing is requested to fund the development and improvement of city-owned downtown properties, to include the city's Old Town Square park, the East Street parking lot and the North Street pedestrian barrier, and the renovation and expansion of the city's Police Department Firearms Training Center located on Pickett Road. *(Councilmember Stombres was absent and Councilmember Schmidt was absent from the vote.)*

Actions out of the closed meeting

- Confirmed Carl Pardini as the city's acting police chief effective May 9, 2014. *(Councilmember Stombres was absent.)*
- Reappointed Diane Tuininga to the Community Services Board for a three-year term extending through June 30, 2017 and reappointed J.J. FitzGerald to the Personnel Advisory Board for a three-year term extending through June 30, 2017. *(Councilmember Stombres was absent.)*

April 30, 2014

Public hearings

- Approved, unanimously, an ordinance amending City Code to increase the wastewater user rates and availability charges by 10 percent effective for bills rendered on or after July 1, 2014.
- Approved, unanimously, an ordinance amending and readopting City Code pertaining to classification and taxation of certain real property in the City of Fairfax used for or zoned for commercial and industrial purposes and such ordinance shall include a tax rate for such real property for calendar year 2014 at 5.5¢ per \$100 of assessed value, revenues from which to be used exclusively for transportation purposes that benefit the City of Fairfax.

Items not requiring a public hearing

- Approved, unanimously, adoption of the General Fund, Capital Fund, Wastewater Fund, Stormwater Fund, Old Town Service District Fund, Cable Grant Fund, Transit Fund, and Transportation Tax Fund

Budgets for the 2015 fiscal year and the adoption of the 2015 – 2019 Capital Improvement Program to incorporate all the changes to the budget change sheet.

- Approved, 5-1, to set the amount of the employee market wage adjustment (cost of living increase) for all full-time classified employees, permanent part-time employees, city manager, treasurer, commissioner of revenue and the registrar at .5 percent effective July 1, 2014. *(In favor: Councilmembers DeMarco, Drummond, Greenfield, Meyer and Schmidt; opposed: Councilmember Stombres.)*
- Approved, unanimously, to set the amount of the employee merit raise for all qualified full-time classified employees "excluding department heads who participate in the executive pay plan," permanent part-time employees, city manager, treasurer, commissioner of revenue and the registrar at 3.5 percent effective July 1, 2014. Department heads participate in a separate pay plan and are excluded from set merit raises.
- Approved, unanimously, to approve the health benefit contribution rates for the City of Fairfax and eligible employees for fiscal year 2015 as specified in Attachment D-2 and further move that the city manager is directed to implement the employee benefits as provided for and described in the adopted fiscal year 2014-15 budget.
- Approved, 5-1, to set the real estate tax rate for the 2014 tax year at \$1.04 per \$100 of assessed value, of which \$250,000 shall be dedicated to the Stormwater Fund, and \$250,000 shall be dedicated to the School Tuition Reserve. *(In favor: Councilmembers DeMarco, Drummond, Greenfield, and Meyer, and Schmidt; opposed: Councilmember Stombres.)*
- Approved, unanimously, to set the personal property and machinery and tools tax rate for the 2014 tax year at \$4.13 per \$100 assessed valuation based upon the assessment ratio of 100 percent of fair market value.
- Approved, unanimously, to set the personal property tax rate for the 2014 tax year at \$.01 per \$100 assessed valuation for those members of volunteer fire departments or volunteer rescue squads qualifying under the City Code.
- Approved, unanimously, the budget for the wastewater system incorporating any changes made earlier in this meeting.
- Approved, unanimously, to adopt the proposed *Fiscal Year 2014-15 Schedule of Rates and Levies*, incorporating any changes made earlier in this meeting.

Council Reporters are condensed due to space constraints. For a complete copy, call 703-385-7935.

City of Fairfax Community Calendar

June 2014

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<div>1</div> <div>Farmers' Market, 10 am to 2 pm,10500 Page Avenue Walking Tour, 11 am, Marr Monument (4110 Chain Bridge Road) <i>Miss Representation: A Documentary Film About Women and the Media</i>, 2 pm, City Hall Annex</div>	<div>2</div> <div><div>12</div><div><i>Mr. Skip</i>, 10:30 am, Old Town Hall School Board meeting, 7:30 pm, City Hall Annex (televised; see page 5)</div></div>	<div>3</div> <div><div>12</div><div>City Council work session, 6:30 pm, City Hall Annex (televised; see page 5) Board of Zoning Appeals meeting, 7 pm, City Hall Annex</div></div>	<div>4</div> <div>Environmental Sustainability Committee, 7 pm, Sherwood Community Center Board of Architectural Review meeting, 7 pm, City Hall Annex</div>	<div>5</div> <div>Fairfax City Democratic meeting, 7:30 pm, City Hall Annex</div>	<div>6</div> <div>City Council retreat, 5-10 pm, Police Station Bingo, 7 pm, Fire Station 3 (benefits the Fairfax Volunteer Fire Department) <i>Main Street Trombone Quartet</i>, 7 pm, Old Town Plaza</div>	<div>7</div> <div>City Council retreat, 8 am to 3 pm, Police Station <i>School Board retreat; for information: 703-385-7910</i> Farmers' Market, 8 am to 1 pm, 10500 Page Avenue <i>Ratcliffe-Allison House free guided tours</i>, 11 am to 2 pm Walking tour, 11 am, Ratcliffe-Allison House</div>
<div>8</div> <div>Farmers' Market, 10 am to 2 pm,10500 Page Avenue (at Main Street) Second Sunday Series: <i>World War II: D-Day through the Battle of the Bulge</i>, 2 pm, Civil War Interpretive Center at Historic Blenheim</div>	<div>9</div> <div><div>12</div><div>Planning Commission meeting, 7 pm, City Hall Annex (televised; see page 5)</div></div>	<div>10</div> <div><div>12</div><div>City Council meeting and work session, 7 pm, City Hall Annex (televised; see page 5)</div></div>	<div>11</div> <div>Economic Development Authority meeting, 6 pm, 4031 University Drive Historic Fairfax City, Inc. meeting, 7 pm, Civil war Interpretive Center at Historic Blenheim</div>	<div>12</div> <div>Parks and Recreation Advisory Board meeting, 7 pm, Sherwood Community Center</div>	<div>13</div> <div>Bingo, 7 pm, Fire Station 3 (benefits the Fairfax Volunteer Fire Department) <i>Alte Kameraden</i>, 7 pm, Old Town Plaza</div>	<div>14</div> <div>Farmers' Market, 8 am to 1 pm,10500 Page Avenue (at Main Street) <i>Ratcliffe-Allison House free guided tours</i>, 11 am to 2 pm Father and Daughter Dance, 6 pm, Sherwood Center</div>
<div>15</div> <div>Farmers' Market, 10 am to 2 pm,10500 Page Avenue (at Main Street)</div>	<div>16</div> <div><i>Stop, Drop and Roll with the City of Fairfax Fire Department</i>, 10:30 am, Old Town Hall</div>	<div>17</div> <div>Fairfax High School graduation, noon, Fairfax High School Commission on the Arts meeting, 7 pm, Sherwood Community Center Commission for Women meeting, 7:15 pm, City Hall</div>	<div>18</div> <div>Board of Architectural Review meeting, 7 pm, City Hall Annex City of Fairfax Sesquicentennial of the Civil War Committee meeting, 7 pm, Fairfax Museum and Visitor Center</div>	<div>19</div> <div>City of Fairfax Republican Committee meeting, 7 pm, City Hall Annex</div>	<div>20</div> <div>Sherwood Cinema Series: <i>Saving Mr. Banks</i>, 7 pm, Sherwood Community Center (food donations accepted) Bingo, 7 pm, Fire Station 3 (benefits the Fairfax Volunteer Fire Department) <i>Fairfax Saxophone Quartet</i>, 7 pm, Old Town Plaza</div>	<div>21</div> <div>Document shredding event, 8 am to noon, Oakton High School, 2900 Sutton Road Farmers' Market, 8 am to 1 pm,10500 Page Avenue <i>Ratcliffe-Allison House free guided tours</i>, 11 am to 2 pm Walking tour, 11 am, Ratcliffe-Allison House</div>
<div>22</div> <div>Farmers' Market, 10 am to 2 pm,10500 Page Avenue (at Main Street) <i>Electric Sundays</i>, 10 am to 3 pm, I-95 Complex, Lorton <i>Alice Paul: Claiming Power</i>: author lecture and book signing, 7 pm, City Hall Annex</div>	<div>23</div> <div><div>12</div><div><i>Real estate taxes due</i> Planning Commission meeting, 7 pm, City Hall Annex (televised; see page 5)</div></div>	<div>24</div> <div><div>12</div><div>City Council meeting and work session, 6 pm, City Hall Annex (televised; see page 5) Swearing-in Ceremony and City Council Reception, 7 pm, Veterans Amphitheater at City Hall (rain location: Sherwood Center) (televised; see page 5)</div></div>	<div>25</div> <div><div>★</div><div>Events at George Mason University, including graduations, concerts and student activities, may affect traffic in the city. For information, visit today.gmu.edu or call 703-993-1056.</div></div>	<div>26</div> <div>Independence Day Celebration Committee meeting, 7 pm, City Hall Annex</div>	<div>27</div> <div>Bingo, 7 pm, Fire Station 3 (benefits the Fairfax Volunteer Fire Department) <i>Fairfax-McLean Brass and Drums</i>, 7 pm, Old Town Plaza</div>	<div>28</div> <div>Farmers' Market, 8 am to 1 pm,10500 Page Avenue (at Main Street) <i>Ratcliffe-Allison House free guided tours</i>, 11 am to 2 pm <i>Renaissance Rebel: Adalbert Volck</i>, 2 pm, Civil War Interpretive Center at Historic Blenheim</div>
<div>29</div> <div>Farmers' Market, 10 am to 2 pm,10500 Page Avenue (at Main Street)</div>	<div>30</div> <div><i>Mr. Skip</i>, 10:30 am, Old Town Hall</div>	<div>On July 4, city government offices and General District Court will be closed in observance of Independence Day. There will be no CUE Bus service. The Civil War Interpretive Center at Historic Blenheim will be closed. Refuse and recyclables will not be collected July 4; Thursday and Friday service will be provided July 3. Information: www.fairfaxva.gov, 703-273-1776.</div>			<div>Helpful Phone Numbers</div> <div>City government information..... 703-385-7855 City News and Events Line..... 703-273-1776 Arts and Cultural Events Line..... 703-352-ARTS City of Fairfax Regional Library 703-293-6227 Civil War Interpretive Center..... 703-591-0560 Fairfax Museum and Visitor Center 703-385-8414 FHS Sports Line..... 703-749-8130 George Mason University events..... 703-993-1056 Information is subject to last-minute change.</div>	



ARTS, CULTURE & RECREATION

Step into Fairfax History This Summer

Commemorate the June 1861 Courthouse skirmish with a special free tour beginning at 11 am June 1 that includes Fairfax Courthouse, city cemetery and local Antebellum houses; meet at the Marr Monument, 4110 Chain Bridge Road.

Take a 90-minute guided tour of Old Town Fairfax. Tours step off at 11 a.m. from the Ratcliffe-Allison House, 10386 Main Street, on June 7 and 21, July 12 and 26, August 9 and 23 and September 13. Cost is \$5 per adult, \$3 for youth age 6-12 or \$15 per family. Reservations are recommended; call 703-385-8414.

History Programs Scheduled

Learn about *World War II: D-Day to the Battle of the Bulge* at 2 p.m. June 8 at the Civil War Interpretive Center at Historic Blenheim, 3610 Old Lee Highway. Information: 703-385-8414.

Encounter *Renaissance Rebel: Adalbert Volck* at 2 p.m. June 28 at the Civil War Interpretive Center at Historic Blenheim. Information: 703-591-0560.

Father-Daughter Dance Set for June 14

Fathers and daughters of all ages can

Old-Fashioned Hometown Celebration for Independence Day to be Held July 4

Convertibles and drivers sought for parade!

Open House, 9 am to 4 pm, Museum and Visitor Center

Parade, 10 am, Old Town Fairfax*

Old Fashioned Fireman's Day, 12:30 pm, Fire Station 3

Historic buildings open throughout Old Town Fairfax

Fireworks and Evening Show featuring the City of Fairfax Band and Leggs (Music from Motown, classic rock, 70's and 80's), 7 pm, Fairfax High School*

Volunteers sought!

* free shuttles provided for these events

T-shirts for sale: \$5 children, \$10 adults

Information: www.fairfaxva.gov, 703-385-7858

spend a magical evening together at the annual Father-Daughter Dance from 6-9 p.m. June 14 at the Stacy C. Sherwood Community Center, 3740 Old Lee Highway. Evening features special fairy tale guest, dancing, games, prizes and food.

Cost is \$25 per person, and registration is required.

Sherwood Cinema Series Continues June 20; Food Donations Accepted

Watch *Saving Mr. Banks* for free at 7 p.m. June 20 at the Sherwood Community Center, 3740 Old Lee Highway.

Participants may bring their own snacks — and, from 7-9 p.m., Our Daily Bread will accept non-perishable food items. For a list of recommended items, check out the city website calendar entry for the event.

Park Pavilions Available for Rent

Planning a party in the great outdoors? Make it under the shade of a pavilion at one of these city parks: Country Club Hills, Van Dyck, Kutner, Providence, Westmore or Thais Memorial. Reservations are accepted: call 703-385-7858.

For more information, call the Parks and Recreation Department at 703-385-7858 (TTY Relay: 7-1-1).



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